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PROCLAMATION

Although history will give a specific year or years in which a special day has been set apart to express gratitude for the mercies of the year, thanksgiving is as old as the worshipping spirit. Not only should we keep in mind the blessings of fruitful fields and healthful skies but we should acknowledge, with grateful hearts, the many and signal favors of Almighty God, and not least among these is the opportunity of enjoying freedom and prosperity.

We are prone to forget the source from which all of our blessings come and it is only right and proper that on the same day throughout our Nation a festival--in its essence, a harvest of thanksgiving--be celebrated.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Leslie Jensen, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby call upon the people of my native State to observe Thursday, November 24, 1938, as THANKSGIVING DAY. I urge that on that day we keep in mind the fact that love of home and fireside is still the vital and active force and that on that day of thanksgiving and praise families reunite and reconsecrate themselves to the fundamental principles of the home, church and nation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota to be hereto affixed.

DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Pierre, this 21st day of November, 1938.

ATTEST:

Goldie Wells
Secretary of State
W. E. Riefendorfer
Asst. Secy of State
(GREAT SEAL)

Leslie Jensen
Governor

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